

**TITLE 3. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE
15-DAY NOTICE OF MODIFIED TEXT
RELATING TO THE
EQUINE MEDICATION MONITORING PROGRAM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Food and Agriculture (Department), Animal Health Branch, Equine Medication Monitoring Program (EMMP), is proposing to modify the originally proposed text for section 1280.11 of Chapter 6, (Drugging of Horses), Division 2 (Animal Industry) of Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations. The proposal pertains to the action described in the Informative Digest published in the California Regulatory Notice Register on December 1, 2017 [Notice File No. Z2017-1117-01, Register 2017, No. 48-Z] relating to the Department's existing "violations matrix" and proposing to increase the minimum violation penalties for specified violations of the EMMP codes and regulations to better protect horse welfare and safety at equine events and sales in the State of California and to better align EMMP penalties with the penalty guidelines of national equestrian oversight organizations pursuant to sections 407 and 24013, Food and Agricultural Code. The Department is now providing notice of modifications to the regulation text which is changing for consistency and clarity purposes. A copy of the modified text is enclosed.

Written comments regarding the modified text: If any person wishes to comment on the proposed modifications to the text, the written comment must be submitted to the contact person named in this notice **beginning on April 12, 2018 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on April 27, 2018**. The written comments are to be restricted to the recent modifications as shown in the attached regulatory text in the rulemaking file. The Department is not required to respond to comments received in response to this notice on other aspects of the proposal. All written comments previously submitted regarding this proposal remain in the Department's rulemaking file. All written comments received by 5:00 p.m. on April 27, 2018, which pertain to the indicated changes will be reviewed and responded to by Departmental staff as part of the compilation of the rulemaking file.

Contact Persons: Written comments concerning this proposal are to be addressed to the following:

CONTACT PERSONS

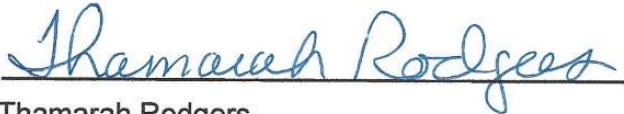
Inquiries and any written comments concerning this proposal are to be addressed to the following:

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Website Access: Materials regarding this proposal can be found by accessing the following
Internet address: <http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/regulations.html>



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